INFORMATION

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Subject: Transformative Climate Communities Program

Reporting Period: August - October, 2016

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Recommended Action:

For information only – no action required.

Background:

On September 14, 2016, Governor Brown signed AB 2722 (Burke), which created the Transformative Climate Communities Program (Program), a grant program administered by the Strategic Growth Council for broad-based greenhouse gas emission reduction projects that provide local economic, environmental and health benefits to disadvantaged communities. \$140 million is available for the Program for fiscal year 2016-2017, funded through cap and trade auction proceeds.

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking:

On September 23, 2016, the Strategic Growth Council proposed to adopt the following regulations for the Program:

Transformative Climate Community Program funds shall be allocated in the cities of Los Angeles and Fresno, and a third location. A minimum of half of the funds shall be allocated in the City of Fresno. A minimum of one fourth of the funds shall be allocated in the City of Los Angeles.

The proposed rulemaking is the first of several actions to develop the Program. Specifically, this action specifies a portion of total program funds for applications from specific geographic locations. In a future rulemaking, the Council will develop guidelines and selection criteria for the Program.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Initial Statement of Reasons are included as attachments. Additionally, a signing message from Governor Brown for AB 2722 is attached.

